

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

Claims 39-49: (canceled)

Claim 50 (new): A substantially homogeneous preparation of a pegylated protein comprising polyethylene glycol conjugated to the protein via an amino group on the protein, wherein the protein is monopegylated and the polyethylene glycol is conjugated predominantly at the N-terminus of the protein.

Claim 51 (new): A substantially homogeneous preparation of a pegylated protein comprising polyethylene glycol conjugated to the protein via an amino group on the protein, wherein the protein is monopegylated and the polyethylene glycol having a molecular weight of between about 2 kDa and 100 kDa is conjugated predominantly at the N-terminus of the protein.

Claim 52 (new): A pharmaceutical composition comprising (a) the preparation of claims 50 and 51, and (b) a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent, carrier or adjuvant.

Claim 53 (new): A method of treating a hematopoietic disorder comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a preparation of claims 50 to 51.